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# Violent clashes mar Dale Farm eviction



- Riot police surprise travellers with early-morning swoop at rear of camp
- Two Tasered, 23 arrested in raid
- Protesters dragged from scaffolding



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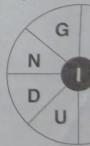
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Clockwise from right: a woman gestures with a crucifix; a resident confronts riot police; police in a cherry-picker speak to a protester on a barricade; a protester is carried away by officers AP: AFP/GETTY







## Police under fire for use of Tasers as they battled to clear Dale Farm

Police were facing criticism last night over their "heavy-handed" approach to clearing barricades at Britain's largest illegal Travellers' site. Clashes between police and protest-ers continued at Dale Farm last night after a morning of violent con-frontations in which two people were shot with Tasers.

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The law reform group Justice ex-pressed "concern" at the use of the weapons. Police defended the use of Tasers during the clearances, saying of-ficers had been threatened with "seri-ous violence".

Police claimed last night to have se-guined the area and removed protections.

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"We are in control of the whole site. It is calm. The tension is now reduced," said Superintendent Trevor Roe, of Essex Police.

In the morning, a fence was broken at the rear of the site after police reportedly received intelligence that "missiles, fluids" and other weapons were being "stockpiled".

They were pelted with objects thrown by protesters, who also built barricades which they set on fire. An unoccupied caravan was set alight and explosions were heard as it burnt. No one was hurt. Supt Roe said the two officers who deployed Tasers had been trying "to

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Police and bailiffs surround a barricade during the eviction 10

### Tasers: when they should be used

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A US police expert. Lieutenant Todd Faulkner, said earlier this year that the Taser should never be deployed during 'a dynamic, deadly force situation'. It was just such a situation in which the fugitive Raoul Moat was shot with a Taser by Northumbria Police. Last year, the manufacturer, Taser International, warned against firing the weapons at anyone's chest area because of 'the controversy about whether or not' they might cause harm.

Some protesters threw bricks at officers, who responded with batons. Others set the barricades alight as bailiffs focused an experience of the processed of the particular and the processed of t focused on removing protesters from the front gate one by one and dismantling it.

protect themselves". He taid: "They carry personal protective Cruipment which includes the Taser and they just naturally reacted as they are bained individuals to operate that device."

Acknowledging that Tasers are not recommended as a "public order tactic," he added: "This was an isolated incident where officers were threst ened directly."

He said police had entered the site in response to the risk of violence as Basildon Council sought to begin the clearance.

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Residents and protesters accused them of being heavy-handed. "I have them of being heavy-handed. "I have never seen anything like this. To see riot police on our doorsteps is shocking. We are terrified of the police," said Kathleen McCarthy, who lived at Dale Farm.

The clearances mark the climax of a 10-year legal battle between the council and the community. The residents won a last-minute injunction as bailiffs amassed at the gates, but earlier this week a High Court judge ruled that the clearances could go ahead.

### Eyewitness

Caught in a war zone and with nowheretogo

### Kevin Rawlinson



he streto of greenbelt land at Lile Farm has been a figurative battleground for year-sut yesterday looked like a war one. Burning barricades were rected and police clashed with pro-esters. A caravan was burned to the ground and missiles were throw at riot officers by masked protesters.

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